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Application No: 10/707,359
Docket No.:11491-US-PA

REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed on March 3, 2005. It is noted with great appreciation that the Office Action considers claim 23 and those claims (24-27) which depend on claim 23 as allowable if claim 23 is rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. However, the Office Action rejects claims 1-8, 10, 14-21, 29-33 under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as being anticipated by Sheu et al. (U.S. Pub. No. 2005/0012173), and claims 9, 11-13, 22, 28 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sheu.

In response thereto, Applicant hereby submits a declaration under 35 U.S.C 1.131 with the showing of facts that the conception of the invention of the subject matter of the rejected claims is prior to the effective date of the reference coupled with due diligence from prior to said date to the filing of the application. Accompanying the declaration are photocopies of the invention disclosure of the present invention, which bear a date earlier than the effective date of Sheu patent application which was filed on July 14, 2003. Accordingly, the Sheu patent application should be disqualified as a proper prior art against the claims of the present invention.

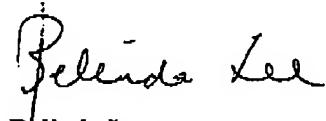
For at least the reasons set forth hereinbefore, Applicant respectfully submits that all objections and/or rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the now pending claims 1-33 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and

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allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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